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General Assembly

Seventy-first session

15:00 — 71st plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

Strengthening of the United Nations system: draft resolution (A/71/L.59) [item 123]

Security Council

10:00 — 7896th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Afghanistan

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2017/189)

15:00 — 7897th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

Afternoon (to be held following the adjournment of the 7897th meeting) — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

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Other matters

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Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10:00 — 27th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

Standards of accommodation for air travel (A/71/741, A/71/741/Corr.1 and A/71/822)

Introduction and general discussion

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council Thematic cluster II: sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels: Panel of Experts on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (A/71/365/Add.9 and A/71/595/Add.9)

Programme budget implications: Modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration (A/C.5/71/19 and A/71/827)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning (following the adjournment of the 27th meeting) to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Managing after-service health insurance (A/71/698, A/71/698/Corr.1 and A/71/815*))

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017:

Standards of accommodation for air travel (A/71/741, A/71/741/Corr.1 and A/71/822)

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Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2017 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

10:00 to 11:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 1

Sub-working Group 3

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 11

Sub-working Group 4

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/71/587, A/71/587/Add.1, A/71/658–S/2016/1018 and A/71/660–S/2016/1033) [item 7]

[*PaperSmart* will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat via the e-deleGATE electronic portal (https://delegate.un.int).

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Habitat
2. Executive meeting

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-third session

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

To mark the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the Commission and to highlight the work it carried out in these two decades and reflect on the relationship between the Commission and the other two treaty bodies established under the Convention, namely the International Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

For the programme of the open meeting, please *click here*.

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11:00 to 13:00 1872nd meeting (closed) Conference Room 8

1. The situation in Abyei (UNISFA)
2. Challenges in the planning of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Economic and Social Council

Statistical Commission
Forty-eighth session

10:00 to 13:00 7th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

1. Items for discussion and decision [item 3] *(continued)*

   (a) Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (E/CN.3/2017/2, E/CN.3/2017/3 and E/CN.3/2017/4) (*continued*)

2. Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division) [item 5]

3. Provisional agenda and dates for the forty-ninth session of the Commission (E/CN.3/2017/L.2 and E/CN.3/2017/34) [item 6]

4. Report of the Commission on its forty-eighth session (E/CN.3/2017/L.3) [item 7]

5. Closure of the forty-eighth session of the Commission

[Delegations are informed that *PaperSmart services* will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mails sharma7@un.org and leu@un.org; Room S-3073)).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

To consult the *list of side events* during the forty-eighth session of the Commission, please *click here*.]

Commission on the Status of Women
Informal consultations

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Eliminating Sexual Harassment in the Workplace", under item 3 (a) (i) of the provisional agenda of the sixty-first session of the Commission, convened by Permanent Mission of Israel

Other meetings

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OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

10:00 2nd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org)).

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2017 and 28 February 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level Dialogue

Thursday, 23 March 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The President of the General Assembly will convene a High-level Dialogue entitled "Climate Change and the Sustainable Development Agenda". For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, and United Nations system entities, wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org)). Statements in the plenary debate should not exceed *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group and *three minutes* when speaking in a national capacity.

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 February 2017 and 14 February 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives.]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00: 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Informal preparatory meeting

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The draft format and draft annotated provisional agenda of the eighteenth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, as well as draft areas of concentration for the discussion panel, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, have been recently forwarded via e-mail to all permanent missions, permanent observer missions and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea as annexes to the letter of invitation by the Co-Chairs of the eighteenth meeting.

The advance and unedited reporting material on the topic of focus has also been posted on the website of the Division (*click here*).

United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination
27 to 31 March and 15 June to 7 July 2017

The United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination is convened pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/258 of 23 December 2016.

The agenda of the Conference and the timetable of meetings of the March session of the Conference are contained in documents A/CONF.229/2017/2 and A/CONF.229/2017/3, respectively.

A note by the Secretariat containing information for participants will be issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1.

Delegations wishing to participate in the *general exchange of views*, including the *high-level segment*, are requested to inscribe with the United Nations Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (nuclear.conference@un.org), indicating the name and title of the speaker, as well as the topic they wish to speak on. The *list of speakers* will be established on a first-come first-served basis, with the customary protocol that ensures that ministers and senior officials speak first, followed by other heads of delegation.

Delegations participating in the *general exchange of views* during the March session of the Conference are encouraged to limit their statements to *ten minutes*.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal of the Conference only after delivery by delegations. Also a minimum of *30 copies* of the text of statements to be delivered at the Conference should be submitted in advance to the Secretariat.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week before Monday, 27 March 2017*. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Permanent representatives and observers are kindly requested to submit a *comprehensive list of the members of their delegation* to the Conference, including the functional titles and affiliations of each member, to the Secretariat of the Conference (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org; Room S-3058) *no later than Friday, 31 March 2017*. A final comprehensive list of delegations to the Conference will be issued in August 2017.

The *participation of non-governmental organizations* in the Conference shall be governed by the decision adopted by the conference at its organizational session on 16 February 2017 (A/CONF.229/2017/4). A note by the Secretariat containing information for civil society representatives has been issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/2.

It is strongly recommended that documents submitted by States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities *should not exceed five pages* (2,650 words) to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to the Conference Secretariat (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org). In light of the short timeframe in which the Conference will conduct its work, advance and unedited submissions may be posted in their original language on the Conference website maintained by the Office for Disarmament Affairs upon request, pending their issuance in six languages.

Limited space for lunchtime *side events* is available in the main conference room assigned to the Conference. Delegations wishing to hold a lunchtime side event in Conference Room 4 (27 to 31 March) or Conference Room 1 (15 June to 7 July) are invited to contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378), with a copy of the request to nuclear.conference@un.org. The available space will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Additional information on the Conference is also available on the Conference website.

Disarmament Commission
2017 substantive session
3 to 21 April 2017

Monday, 3 April 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 3

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate are invited to kindly submit, *in writing*, the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378). The Secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations would communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, via note verbale (e-mail vrastiak@un.org), *as soon as possible*, the name(s) of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Burundi configuration

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 1

Central African Republic configuration

Thursday, 16 March 2017

10:00 Informal meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Security Council

Tuesday, 14 March 2017

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate on "Trafficking in persons in conflict situations: forced labour, slavery and other similar practices" (S/2017/198), in connection with the agenda item "Maintenance of international peace and security"

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-maildpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Partnership Forum

Wednesday, 5 April 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its 2017 Partnership Forum on the theme "Partnerships for promoting opportunities, increased prosperity and sustainable development for all".

The forum will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. Delegations are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes* (*five minutes* for group statements).

All are invited to attend. Members of the Council are requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail leonc@un.org), with copy to yogasundram@un.org, *as early as possible*. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Council of their prospective participation in the forum *no later than 12:00*, on Tuesday, 4 April 2017, to be pre-assigned a seat in the meeting room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Partnership Forum, including the concept note and draft programme, is available from the website of the Economic and Social Council (please *click here*). For further details, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org; or tel. +1 (917) 367-5027).

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters

Friday, 7 April 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The special meeting will be held pursuant to Council resolution 2017/2 and decision 2017/209. The special meeting will hold interactive discussions and a general discussion.

The interactive discussions will have a free-flowing format, with interventions limited to *three minutes*. There will be no list of speakers during the interactive discussions.

Requests for inscription to the *general discussion* to be held from 17:15 to 17:50 should be communicated to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org), with copy to Ms. Isabel Tañedo (e-mail tanedo@un.org)). Statements shall not exceed *three minutes* for individual delegations, and *five minutes* for groups.

PaperSmart services will be available to delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically. Please send a copy of the statement at *least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and subject of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Economic and Social Council PaperSmart portal (*click here*) after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

For further information on the special meeting, including the concept note and tentative programme, please *click* here, or contact Ms. Dominika Halka, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; Room DC2-2186).

Coordination and management meeting
19 to 21 April 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the coordination and management meeting. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than Thursday, 30 March 2017*, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (Attn: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mails constablem@un.org and ecosocelections@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-first session
13 to 24 March 2017

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 Opening meeting General Assembly Hall

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2017/1 and E/CN.6/2017/1/Add.1/Rev.2, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (please *click here*). The *list of side events* on the occasion of the sixty-first session of the Commission is available by *clicking here*.

For the participation and seating arrangements, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; Room S-1274; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 13 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 14 March, and Wednesday, 15 March; in the afternoon of Thursday, 16 March, and Friday, 17 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 22 March.

The *list of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3* is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

The Commission will hold four *ministerial round tables under the priority theme* in the afternoon of Monday, 13 March 2017. For additional details, please refer to the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2017/5).

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixty-first session of the Commission. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to e-mail papersmart3@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council* in the work of the Commission is available by *clicking here*. As requested in relevant resolutions, the *reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council* are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-first session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Commission on Population and Development
Fiftieth session

Monday, 3, to Friday, 7 April 2017 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2017/1 and E/CN.9/2017/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Christa Giles (e-mail giles@un.org; Room S-3066; with copy to leu@un.org).

Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4, on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The *lists of speakers* for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 3 (General debate on: (a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels; and (b) Special theme of the fiftieth session of the Commission based on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions to accelerate its further implementation), will be held from Monday, 3 April 2017 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2017/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

For *statements and PaperSmart arrangements*, delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the fiftieth session of the Commission.

The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages (*click here*).

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org *at least 1 hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and to bring 30 copies of their statements for technical services.

The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Information on *side events*, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission, can be accessed by *clicking here*.

For the *election of the Bureau of the fifty-first session*, the Commission will hold the first meeting of its fifty-first session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its fiftieth session.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Briefing on "Water at the United Nations: UN-Related Activities in the Water Sector" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland, Switzerland and Thailand)

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Mita Monzon, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail mita.thaimission@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 754-2230, ext. 146).

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

Tuesday, 14 March 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Workshop on "Introductory Seminar on Human Rights and Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and research (UNITAR) New York Office)

Monday, 20 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-0310

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Round-table discussion on "Preventive Diplomacy: A Soft Power Tool" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilization (UNAOC))

Monday, 20 March 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 9

All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Mehrangez Rafieva, UNAOC (e-mail mehrangezr@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Briefing on "2017 Global Infrastructure Forum" (co-organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the European Investment Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank)

Thursday, 30 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact DESA (Mr. Arend Janssen (e-mail janssena@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5620); or Ms. Jie Wei (e-mail weij@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5105)); or *click here*.

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 30 March 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Announcements

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (*click here* for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 9 March 2017

Security Council

[archived video]

7894th meeting *Security Council mission*

Briefing by the Security Council mission to the Lake Chad Basin Region (2 to 7 March 2017)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United Kingdom, and by the representatives of Senegal and France, on the Security Council mission to the Lake Chad Basin countries, Cameroon, Chad, the Niger and Nigeria.

The Council heard a briefing by Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uruguay, Sweden, Italy, the United States and Japan.

7895th meeting *The situation in Burundi*

Report of the Secretary-General on Burundi (S/2017/165)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Burundi to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jamal Benomar, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General; His Excellency Benjamin William Mkapa, East African Community Facilitator of the Inter-Burundi Dialogue and former President of the United Republic of Tanzania; and His Excellency Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations, in his capacity as the Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Jamal Benomar, His Excellency Benjamin William Mkapa (via video-teleconference from Entebbe) and His Excellency Jürg Lauber.

A statement was made by the representative of Uruguay.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Burundi.

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

[archived video]

26th meeting

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [item 133]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Progress towards an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat

The Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the sixth progress report of the Secretary-General on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat (A/71/729).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/820).

The Inspector of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Gopinathan Achamkulangare, introduced the report of that Unit on fraud prevention, detection and response in United Nations system organizations (A/71/731).

The Senior Adviser on Information Management Policy Coordination, Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, introduced the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit just introduced (A/71/731/Add.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Chad (on behalf of the African Group), Switzerland (also on behalf of Liechtenstein), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; and the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement) and the United States.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on that day, Thursday, 9 March, in the afternoon, and would be coordinated by Mr. Carlos Funes (El Salvador).

Procurement activities in the United Nations Secretariat

The Assistant Secretary-General, Office of Central Support Services, introduced the report of the Secretary-General on procurement activities in the United Nations Secretariat (A/71/681).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/823).

The Inspector of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Gopinathan Achamkulangare, introduced the report of that Unit on contract management and administration in the United Nations system (A/70/676).

The Senior Adviser on Information Management Policy Coordination, Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, introduced the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit just introduced (A/70/676/Add.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Chad (on behalf of the African Group), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; and the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), Pakistan and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on that day, Thursday, 9 March, immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting, and would be coordinated by Mr. Stefan Pretterhofer (Austria), Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Managing after-service health insurance

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced report of the Secretary-General on managing after-service health insurance, as contained in document (A/71/698 and A/71/698/Corr.1).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/815).

A statement was made by the President of the Federation of Associations of Former International Civil Servants (FAFICS). The Chair noted that agreement to this intervention was done on an exceptional basis and should not set a precedent.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; and the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and

Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on Friday, 10 March, in the morning, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, and would be coordinated by Mr. Marcio Burity (Angola), Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Economic and Social Council

Statistical Commission
Forty-eighth session

[archived video]

5th meeting

Integration of statistical and geospatial information [item 3 (g)]

A statement was made by the observer for Morocco.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Economic Commission for Europe.

A representative of the United Nations Statistical Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Social statistics [item 3 (h)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the Chief of the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/11.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Japan, Mexico, Germany, Sweden, Italy and the Russian Federation, as well as the observers for the Philippines, Cambodia, Barbados, Mongolia, Grenada (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Finland, India, South Africa, Morocco, Australia, Hungary, Bahrain, Bangladesh, India and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Statements were also made by the observer of the State of Palestine and the representative of the Economic Commission for Europe.

The Chief of Demographic and Social Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Statistics on drugs and drug use [item 3 (i)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of Mexico, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/12.

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar, the Russian Federation, Italy, Colombia, Cuba, Belarus, Brazil and Libya, as well as by the observers for Spain, Mali (on behalf of the African States), Belize, the Netherlands, Peru and the Sudan.

A Statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

The Chief of the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

National Accounts [item 3 (j)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the International Monetary Fund, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/13.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, China and Brazil, as well as by the observers for Saudi Arabia (on behalf of the Gulf Cooperation Council), Fiji, Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), the Philippines, Portugal, Guyana, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Cambodia, Turkmenistan, Morocco, Spain, Jordan, Tunisia, Indonesia and South Africa (on behalf of the African States).

The Chief of the Economic Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Environmental-economic accounting [item 3 (k)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the observer for the Netherlands, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/14.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sweden, China and Switzerland, as well as by the observers for South Africa, Jamaica, the Philippines, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Suriname, Finland and India.

The Chief of the Economic Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

6th meeting

International Comparison Programme [item 3 (l)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the World Bank, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/15.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Mexico and New Zealand, as well as by the observers for India, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Uganda, South Africa and Viet Nam.

Statements were also made by the observers of the Secretariat of Caribbean Community and the Asian Development Bank, and by the representative of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

The Chief of the Economic Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Business registers [item 3 (m)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of Japan, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/16.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, the Republic of Korea, Mexico and Italy, as well as by the observers for Zambia, Oman (on behalf of the Gulf Cooperation Council), the Dominican Republic, Bangladesh, Mongolia, Mauritius, Sri Lanka and the Philippines.

Statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific.

The Chief of the Trade Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion

Tourism statistics [item 3 (n)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the World Tourism Organization, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/17.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and, Kenya, as well as by the observers for Austria, Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Oman, Morocco, Spain, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific Islands States), the Philippines and Guyana.

The Chief of the Trade Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Statistics for economies based on natural resources [item 3 (o)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the observer for Australia, who introduced document E/CN.3/2017/18.

Statements were made by the representatives of Angola and the Russian Federation, as well as by the observers for Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Rwanda (on behalf of African States), Suriname and Chile.

Statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

The Chief of the Industrial and Energy Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3 (o).

Items for information [items 4 (a) to (m)]

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representative of New Zealand, as well as by the observers for Suriname and Grenada (both speaking on behalf of the Caribbean Community).

The Director of the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, responded to questions raised and comments made from the floor.

On the proposal of the Chair, the Commission took note of the following information documents E/CN.3/2017/19, E/CN.3/2017/20, E/CN.3/2017/21, E/CN.3/2017/22, E/CN.3/2017/23, E/CN.3/2017/24, E/CN.3/2017/25, E/CN.3/2017/26, E/CN.3/2017/27, E/CN.3/2017/28, E/CN.3/2017/29, E/CN.3/2017/30, E/CN.3/2017/31, E/CN.3/2017/32 and E/CN.3/2017/33.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4 as a whole.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

The observers for Morocco and the Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics made statements.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Objection to a reservation made by Fiji upon ratification: Ireland (9 March 2017)

Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015

Ratification: Ethiopia (9 March 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
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Asia-Pacific States
Malaysia
His Excellency M. Shahrul Ikram Yaakob

Eastern European States
Republic of Moldova
His Excellency Vlad Lupan

Latin American and Caribbean States
Guatemala
His Excellency Jorge Skinner-Klée Arenales

Western European and other States
Germany
His Excellency Harald Braun

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

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The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 66, 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

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Security Council

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